REMARKS

Prior to the present amendment, claims 19-20 were pending. By this amendment, applicants have cancelled claims 19-20, and added new claims 21-22. Accordingly, claims 21-22 are currently pending and under consideration.

Election/Restriction

On page 3 of the office action, the examiner indicated that claim 19 submitted in the amendment dated January 26, 2007 is directed to a non-election invention. Therefore, the examiner has withdrawn claim 19 from consideration. Accordingly, applicants have cancelled claim 19 and its dependent claim (i.e., claim 20).

The examiner acknowledged on page 8 of the office action dated November 17, 2006 that claims 11 and 12 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Applicants have added new claims 21 and 22.

New claims 21 and 22 incorporates the limitations from original claims 11 and 12, respectively, including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Accordingly, claims 21 and 22 should be allowable.

Rejection under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) over Wehrspohn et al. (US 2006/0119015)

On page 4 of the office action, claims 19 and 20 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) for allegedly being anticipated by Wehrspohn et al. Applicants have cancelled claims 19 and 20. Accordingly, the rejection is now moot and should be withdrawn.

In view of the above amendments and remarks, allowance of the pending claims is earnestly requested. If the examiner has any questions or concerns regarding this amendment, he is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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